

The True Northerner.

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NEWS CONDENSED.

Condensed Record of the Week.

EASTERN.

Fire destroyed the Music Hall at Buffalo, N. Y., together with St. Louis Catholic Church. The theater building contained a valuable German library, which was entirely consumed. One man was killed. The loss is estimated at \$250,000.

The demise of Gen. James McQuade, at his brother's residence in Utica, N. Y., is chronicled.

John H. Eustis, a New York merchant, having been made the victim of a Chicago divorce on the testimony of two unknown men, has secured a warrant for the arrest of his former wife for perjury.

The funeral of Joe Goss, the pugilist, which took place from a sporting resort in Boston, was very largely attended. John L. Sullivan sent a floral tribute representing the gates ajar. Another feature was a champion belt made of flowers.

Gen. Grant testified that he paid in \$200,000 as a special partner in the firm of Grant & Ward; that on May 1 last he thought himself worth \$1,000,000; that he drew from the firm \$3,000 per month for two years, and that everything he possessed was lost in the failure.

Becky Jones, the obstinate witness in the Hammsley will case, was released from prison by order of the New York Supreme Court.

WESTERN.

The Green Bay, Winona and St. Paul Road has been handed over to the representatives of the first-mortgage bondholders, in consequence of a default on \$1,000,000 of bonds.

A cartman in Detroit, named Thomas Burke, perished in shoveling iron ore from the base of a huge pile, and was instantly killed by its collapse.

Joel Anderson and Laurel Baugh, on trial at Carrollton, Mo., for killing John Rea on the 8th of April, 1884, were found guilty, and their punishment assessed at ninety-nine years each in the penitentiary.

A disease identical with that affecting Gen. Grant, carried off a pioneer of Montague, Mich., named James Dalton, after several operations had been performed.

Ex-Mayor Thomas J. Navin, of Adrian, Mich., was sentenced, at Detroit, to ten years in the State Prison for forging signatures to city bonds.

An incendiary fire destroyed a stable and two other buildings at Urbana, Ohio, thirty-seven horses, some of them Kentucky thoroughbreds, perishing in the flames.

The remains of Charles Luedeking, a German Revolutionary of 1848, have been shipped from St. Louis to the crematory at Lancaster, Pa.

The Attorney General of Iowa has decided that Mr. Cattell is State Auditor and that the State Treasurer must pay warrants drawn by him.

Middle Nevada was tendered an ovation at San Francisco the other night. Besides numerous floral gifts of a costly character, her old schoolmates presented her with a purse of \$2,000 in five-dollar gold pieces. She attempted to sing "Home, Sweet Home," but tears welled into her eyes, and she fled from the stage.

Miss May Simons, of Buffalo, who was visiting friends in Chicago, was arrested at the demand of a State street shopkeeper for attempting to steal a jersey, and was locked up in a police station with two disreputable females. The mistake was speedily made apparent in the court-room.

J. H. McVicker secured a permit to place two additional stories on his theater, at a cost of \$100,000.

John Neil, a burglar living in Cleveland jail awaiting sentence to the penitentiary, was married to a servant who desired something to worry about.

At Muncie, Ind., late at night, Olney Scott and William Haines went to the house of Bishop Scott to play a joke by making the chickens cackle. The owner of the poultry had been forewarned, and endeavored to reciprocate good-naturedly by firing an old horse-pistol at the invaders. He blazed away into the air, and is now bowed down by grief at having killed his friend Haines.

A Green Bay dispatch records the death of Mrs. Frink, widow of the first Baptist missionary in the Fox River valley.

Orville Cronkrite, a veteran in the insurance business in Chicago, and General Anson Stager, formerly one of the General Superintendents of the Western Union Telegraph Company are chronicled among the recent deaths.

Lake men do not expect the resumption of navigation between the upper and lower lakes much before the 1st of June. The ice in the straits of Mackinac is over thirty feet in thickness.

A fire in the cooper-shop of the Ohio Penitentiary at Columbus caused a loss of about \$40,000.

Five oil wells have this week been completed at Macksburg, Ohio, two of which yield 150 barrels per day. The fourth iron tank will be finished this week.

An inquest was held at Chicago over the remains of the Langham Hotel victims. The testimony was such that the deaths could not be attributed to criminal carelessness, and a verdict was rendered accordingly.

Eight deaths from small-pox are said to have occurred this week among the colored people at Mount City, Ill.

I. S. Hyatt, one of the inventors of celluloid, formerly Sheriff of Henry County, Illinois, recently died in Florida.

The wheat acreage in the southern half of Illinois is said not to be half what it was in 1880, and the plant has suffered seriously from frost.

Fourteen business buildings at Oakland, Ind., valued at \$60,000, and the Miller block at Valparaiso, worth about the same sum, were destroyed by fire.

SOUTHERN.

Reports are published of the destitution in Braxton, Gilmer, and Calhoun Counties, West Virginia. People and stock are dying of hunger. A great number are sick but cannot secure medical aid, and grain for seedling purposes cannot be secured.

The explosion of a boiler in a wholesale house at Charleston, W. Va., caused the death of a porter and the destruction of buildings valued at \$50,000.

Frank Cottrell, the actor, who was placed in jail at Harrisville, W. Va., violently insane, hanged himself with a handkerchief to the grating above the door of his cell.

Eight negroes recently took from a store at Oceana, S. C., a package of \$4,000 in currency. They were followed to an out-house in Swain County, North Carolina, and refused to surrender. In the fight with the officers two robbers were shot dead, four were captured, and two escaped. A negro killed the Sheriff with an ax.

At Rock Creek, Tenn., last Sunday, John Pearce procured a license to wed Alice Penny, but the young woman refusing to have the ceremony take place on the Sabbath, Pearce drew out his pistol and shot himself dead.

Eight members of the "Sara Sata Assassination Society" have been indicted for murder at Pine Level, Fla.

J. M. Bennett, of Union Springs, Ala., was to have been married, but he got drunk and, fearing his betrothed would hear of it, killed himself.

A troop of cavalry has been ordered to destroy the permanent improvements on the ranches of two cattle firms in Oklahoma, which is taken to mean that all unauthorized stockmen will be driven out.

William D. Cushing, book-keeper for the Belmont Iron Works, at Wheeling, W. Va., was arrested for embezzling the company's funds, and after being released on bail, went home and shot himself, dying in a short time.

The death sentence was imposed upon Jordon Taylor, colored, who murdered Sallie Sanders, at Hopkinsville, Ky.

William Neal, the third and last of the villains who murdered and burned the bodies of two girls and a boy at Ashland, Ky., was executed at Grayson in presence of 100 armed guards. As the drop fell he protested his innocence. One of his confederates confessed and was lynched; the other was hanged at Grayson last October.

Justice Stanley Matthews has rendered a decision maintaining the validity of railway pool contracts, and awarding the Hocking Valley Road \$35,000 which its partner in the pool failed to turn over.

E. S. Clark, of Vicksburg, Miss., recently appointed Assistant Secretary of the Interior, died in Washington of pneumonia, with which he was attacked on the day of his confirmation by the Senate.

Gen. Edward E. Bryant, of Madison, Wis., has been tendered and has accepted the position of Assistant Attorney of the Post-office Department at Washington.

It is said that President Cleveland has not yet considered the postoffice or other positions the terms of whose present occupants are about to expire. It has not even been determined who is to fill Postmaster Pearson's place at New York.

It is stated that both President Cleveland and Secretary Lamar are in favor of appointing a commission at an early date to investigate the Oklahoma question. Dispatches from Oklahoma report that there is imminent danger of a collision. A band of settlers is said to have already entered the disputed territory.

Capt. Brown, of Indiana, was urged by Vice President Hendricks for Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, but the President nominated Capt. Harmon, of Pennsylvania.

The United States Senate confirmed the following nominations: Samuel S. Cox, to be Minister to Turkey; Henry L. Muldrow, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior; and William A. J. Sparks, to be Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Sensors at Washington have decided that it will be desirable to retrench the expenditures of the upper house. There are over 300 persons now on the Senate rolls who draw salaries aggregating \$350,000 annually. The use of the Butler mansion for committee rooms is to be discontinued.

Solely upon their records, the President will appoint Col. William J. Volkmar, of Gen. Sheridan's staff, Assistant Adjutant General, and Capt. George H. Burton Assistant Inspector General.

A memorial was presented to President Cleveland by the Oklahoma settlers through their representatives at Washington, requesting that a commission be appointed at once to confer with the Indians as to their supposed rights in Oklahoma. The memorial embodied an eloquent appeal for justice.

The Supreme Court of the United States rendered a decision affirming the constitutionality of the act creating the Utah Commission, to supervise elections, but declaring that the rules of the Registrars, appointed by the Commission, are of no force. One of the rules compels persons applying for registration to swear that they are not polygamists. The Court maintains the power of Congress to make such laws for Territories as may fit them for Statehood, and asserts that the statute for preserving sacred family ties, by dispensing with a plurality of wives in the household, is praiseworthy and commendable.

Carter H. Harrison was nominated for Mayor by the Democratic City Convention at Chicago. William M. Devine was nominated for City Treasurer, John G. Neumeister for City Clerk, and Peter J. Ellert for City Attorney.

The Texas Legislature passed a bill to compel railroad companies to keep their principal offices in the State, under a penalty of \$1,000 fine for each month of neglect.

The Ohio House passed bills prohibiting the employment of children under 12 years of age, and providing that corporations or other employing women or girls shall procure seats for their use when not engaged in active duties, and making a fine of \$10 to \$25 for each violation of the law.

Notwithstanding that saloon-keepers throughout Iowa are closing up their places, the Iowa Brewers and Bottlers' Association has been incorporated at Marshalltown with the avowed purpose of raising funds to further test the constitutionality of the liquor law.

The New York Assembly has passed

a bill providing for a reservation at Niagara Falls.

Three clergymen of Washington called upon President Cleveland and presented a memorial with 1,000 signatures asking the enforcement of the Edmunds act in Utah.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Weller & Merz's ultramarine blue works at Newark, N. J., were destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$100,000; fully insured. The Hale House and other property at Charleston, W. Va., were consumed. The loss is estimated at \$30,000. One man was burned to death. Fourteen business houses at Henderson, N. C., went up in smoke, causing a loss of \$75,000.

Judge Gresham in the United States Circuit Court, Chicago, has rendered his decision in the application for a writ of error in the Mackinac-Gallagher election-conspiracy case. The writ of error was granted, and was ordered to act as a stay of the sentence imposed by the District Court. Judge Gresham fixed the bail of the prisoners at \$50,000 pending the hearing of the arguments in the case, which will take place before Justices Harlan and Gresham sitting as the Circuit Court in error on the first Monday in May. Bail was furnished, and the prisoners were released.

Joe Goss, pugilist, died near Boston, last week, of Bright's disease. He was born in Wolverhampton, England, in 1836. Miss Ida M. Rusk, the second daughter of the Governor of Wisconsin, died at Madison. Rev. William Harris, Treasurer of Princeton College, New Jersey, died of apoplexy at a railway restaurant in Savannah, Ga. The Hon. Jacob Thompson, who was Secretary of the Interior under President Buchanan, died at Memphis, aged 75.

Beair, the trainer of Maud S., intends to lower her record before the season ends, as Mr. Bonner does not wish to take her from the turf until she has beaten the world. Bithers is to have charge of Jay-Rye See this year.

Friends of Tom Ballard, the notorious counterfeiter, are trying to obtain a pardon for him from President Cleveland. Ballard is the only man who has ever succeeded in counterfeiting the fiber paper, and it was largely on this account that he was sentenced to thirty years at hard labor. Ballard promises to lead an honest life if the President will give him a pardon, and offers as an additional inducement to give the Government a process for making paper, discovered by himself, which it is impossible to counterfeit.

Secretary Manning has prepared a circular letter to the Collectors of Customs requesting information as to the practicability of curtailing the expense of collecting the revenue from customs by reducing the present force of clerks and other employees.

Several skirmishes are reported between the forces of Honduras and San Salvador in Central America. Honduras takes the part of Gen. Barrios and Guatemala. San Salvador puts her whole army into the field. Nicaragua provides 4,000 men, and Costa Rica contributes 1,000. President Zaldivar, of Costa Rica, will assume chief command of the allied forces. More than twenty veteran Mexican officers have left the City of Mexico to join the forces of San Salvador and Nicaragua. The hostile feeling toward Barrios is growing more intense in Mexico day by day, and aggressive measures are advocated.

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James G. Cunningham, alias James Dalton and Harry Burton, both charged with treason-felony in connection with the late dynamite demonstration at London, were committed for trial.

Within the last thirty days five of the largest tea and sugar importing firms in Moscow have failed. Their liabilities aggregate over \$10,000,000.

The last British detachment has evacuated Korti.

LATER NEWS ITEMS.

Perry H. Smith, formerly Vice President of the Northwestern Road, died at his residence in Chicago, of congestion of the liver. For some years his health has been extremely poor, and a conservator was appointed for his estate.

The Celestians have scored another victory, they having carried the intrenchment at Langson, securing the key to the position and forcing the invaders to retreat beyond Dong-Dang along the Loukol. The losses are unknown. The Orientals have 50,000 men and seriously threaten the French lines of communication with the South. Gen. Briere de l'Isle has asked for 50,000 men.

Gen. Middleton and 700 men are on the march from Qu'apelle to the scene of the Riel insurrection. The Canadian Government has ordered the immediate dispatch of 800 militia from Ontario and Quebec by the Lake Superior route. Capt. Moore died from a wound received in the engagement of the 20th ult., and there are rumors that Maj. Crozier was killed.

The Russian organ, *Le Nord*, published at Brussels, prints a letter from St. Petersburg which is regarded as good authority, and says: "Present Russian military movements are nothing but precautionary measures, dictated by the most elementary principles of national prudence." The same paper states editorially that the people of Russia regard the whole quarrel with no trace of irritation. A London dispatch states there is a full tide in the war scare. The call for the army reserves and militia alarmed the people, and after the subsidence of the first excitement they are asking what number are to be put under arms. The Ministry, it is claimed, have allowed reports to circulate without contradiction that in fact no more than 25,000 men are wanted. This is just about enough to fill the vacancies in the muster rolls caused by the recent draft for the Egyptian and Mediterranean stations. Gladstone replied to the most pressing requests as to the true import of the Queen's summons by saying that the Government had decided to postpone all statements upon the subject until after Easter, hoping in the meantime to meet with some arrangement with Russia.

The anniversary of Ponce de Leon's landing at St. Augustine, Fla., in 1512, was celebrated at that place March 28.

A corpse found in the Delaware River at Trenton, N. J., has been identified by several persons as that of S. S. Conant, the missing editor of *Harper's Weekly*.

After two weeks of active campaigning, during which several hundred lives have been lost, Gen. Graham's camp is just two miles nearer Berber than when he started from Suakin. The army is suffering from typhoid fever and dysentery. The Berber Railway has not yet been begun.

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U. S. SENATE.

Proceedings of the Special Session of the Senate.

When Vice President Hendricks took his seat in the Senate, on the 23d inst., there was an absence of many faces. The Vice President assigned the Chaplain to proceed with prayer, but only heads seemed to bow before the prayer of Miller of California, Miller of New York, Sawyer of Wisconsin, and Vest of Missouri. After the amen and before the reading of the journal was completed a motion was made to adjourn, but just then several other Senators entered, and the motion was withdrawn.

Secretary Prudden then entered the chamber and laid upon the desk of Mr. Hendricks a document from the Executive Mansion, containing the following to be Envoys Extraordinary and Ministers Plenipotentiary of the United States: Edward J. Phelps, of Vermont, to Great Britain; Robert M. McLane, of Maryland, to France; George H. Pendleton, of Ohio, to Germany; Henry R. Jackson, of Georgia, to Mexico; Macrus E. Benton, of Missouri, was named for United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri.

The United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, and David S. Baker, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island.

Memorials were presented to the United States Senate, March 24, from the Arizona Legislature praying for a return to the public domain of lands granted to railroads in the Territory, and for legislation to prevent organized raids from Mexico. Mr. Dolph earnestly appealed to the Senate to consider his resolution authorizing the Committee on Commerce and Customs to all any where they may deem proper during the recess, but the Senate was apparently in no mood to consider such resolutions. The resolutions were sent in the following nominations: To be Collectors of Customs—Francis B. Torrey, of the District of South; J. P. Jones, of Maine, District of Arrostook; Mr. Daniel McConville, of Ohio, Auditor of the Treasury for the Postoffice Department; Henry L. Muldrow, of Mississippi, Assistant Secretary of Interior; William A. J. Sparks, of Illinois, Commissioner of the General Land Office; John C. Lander, at State Center, Iowa; Wm. H. White, at Prescott, Ark.

The President sent to the Senate the following nominations, March 25: Samuel S. Cox, of New York, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States to Turkey; Postmasters—Henry C. Shannon, at Peoria, Ill.; William A. at Salinas, Cal.; Sprague, at Salinas, Cal.; J. Knox Hall, at Toulon, Ill.; Thomas J. Dunn, at Bloomington, Ill.; John Cunningham, at Madison, Ill.; James E. Neet, at Versailles, Ky.; Frederick G. Kendrick, at Mount Clemens, Mich.; George W. Johnson, at St. Paul, Minn.; J. D. Armond, at Davenport, Iowa; M. M. Ham, editor of the *Herald*, at Dubuque, Iowa; Joseph Lander, at State Center, Iowa; Wm. H. White, at Prescott, Ark.

The President sent to the Senate the following nominations on the 26th: Thomas C. Crenshaw, Jr., to be Collector of Internal Revenue of the District of Georgia; Postmasters: Aquila Jones, Sr., at Indianapolis, Ind.; John Shannon, at Lawrence, Kan.; John Mileham, at Topeka, Kan.; N. C. Hidenour, at Clarinda, Iowa; Vincent L. Lane, at Wyandotte, Kan.; Mrs. Lizzie H. Ficklen, at Charleston, Ill.; and Claiborne W. Bowman, at Toledo, Ohio. The Senate met at noon, and five minutes later went into executive session. After some further discussion of the Well and La Abra treaties, they were postponed until next session. When the doors reopened, the resolutions providing that a committee of two Senators be appointed to wait upon the President and inform him that if he had no further communication to make the Senate was ready to adjourn was adopted, and Senators Sherman and Mahone made a report from the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds favoring the substitution of electric for gas light in the Senate Chamber. The Senate confirmed Daniel McConville, of Ohio, Auditor of the Treasury for the Postoffice Department.

A Skillful Professor.

"Ah, hah!" exclaimed Prof. Mayorhuff, looking up from a book and turning to his wife.

"What have you found, dear?"

"Listen to this from Horace Greeley: 'I am fully persuaded that if chopping wood were universal, rheumatism and dyspepsia would be unknown.'"

"Well, what of that?" asked Mrs. Mayorhuff.

"What of it? Why, I shall chop wood, that's what there is of it."

"Did you ever chop wood?"